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TOGETHER WE THRIVE

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Fairfield County's Community Foundation

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(L to R) Benjamin Vu, Melissa Rivera, Jennifer Sigua and Christopher Ruta come from different backgrounds, but share the same dream: enter satisfying careers that allow them to support themselves.

Together, we can help young adults thrive by 25 and enrich Fairfield County

When large numbers of young adults remain dependent on family or relocate for jobs, their futures are shortchanged and their communities decline

Keeping our young adults

Fairfield County's 100,000 young people ages 16 to 24 face high youth unemployment rates, one of the nation's most expensive housing markets, and a shortage of living-wage entry jobs.

When we reduce these obstacles, more young people can remain here, thrive—and enrich their communities.

Ben

Benjamin Vu is a junior at Trumbull High School and envisions a career in the sciences—perhaps pharmacology, thanks to his summer mentor.

He received a scholarship for a three-week UConn Mentor Connection program for academically talented students across the nation. Ben worked inside a pharmacy lab with two graduate students and a university mentor, investigating how to solve pharmaceutical challenges.

Ben sees his future including "a stable income, an advanced degree in graduate school," and living in Fairfield County.

Melissa

Melissa Rivera lost her mother when she was 10, then her father during her first year of college.

Bridgeport's McGivney Community Center was a confidence-building haven during Melissa's childhood. She grew from participating in its after-school program to becoming a Summer Leadership Director.

She is now studying to become a nurse, working part-time as a respiratory therapist.

Melissa said, "By the time I'm 25, I want to be living in my own place, with a stable income, helping others."

Jennifer

Jennifer Sigua was raised in Stamford and attends Elon University in North Carolina on a four-year scholarship. She wants a career "where I can help others," most likely in a health-related field.

She first lacked motivation to apply for college since she didn't see how to afford it. But at Future 5, which helps Stamford high school students connect to their full potential, "my mentor helped me get a sense of direction and showed me what was possible." Now Jennifer said she feels "capable of doing anything I want."

Christopher

Christopher Ruta, 21, will graduate from Fairfield University in 2015 with a Bachelor's degree in Accounting and a job.

With two sisters also in college, Christopher drove himself hard to be job-ready at graduation. Two internships "opened my eyes to what it takes to make it on your own."

His first was at a wealth management firm. His second was with one of the Big 4 accounting firms, EY.

"I learned what my life could be like my first five years out of college," Christopher said. "I'll have my CPA license, an apartment, and career opportunities."

THANK YOU! EVERY TIME YOU CONTRIBUTE TO OUR COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP FUND, YOU HELP FAIRFIELD COUNTY'S YOUNG PEOPLE "THRIVE BY 25."

Our "Thrive by 25" initiative envisions every Fairfield County young adult is self-sufficient by age 25

STRATEGY

- Engage young people to identify barriers to self-sufficiency
- Connect parents, employers, policy makers, education leaders and community members to shrink those barriers through education, skills training and internships

CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY EDUCATION

10% High School

7.3% Some College

4.3% Bachelor's or higher

Source: CT Voices for Children

FAIRFIELD COUNTY YOUNG ADULT POPULATION TRENDS

	2000	2012	change
15-19 yrs.	51,079	63,854	**25%**
20-24 yrs.	42,982	49,930	**16%**
25-34 yrs.	118,076	106,140	**-10%**

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

CONNECTICUT YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT UNEMPLOYMENT (PERCENT)

Age	Men	Women	Total
16-19	25.6	20.8	**23.2**
20-24	12.1	8.7	**10.4**
25-34	7.7	8.1	**7.9**

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, 2013

Together, we can help Fairfield County women achieve economic security

Cherdonna Epps taught son Somari and his brothers that their destinies lie in the choices they make and how they rise to meet life's challenges.

Higher education leads to better earnings, yet a scholarship is not enough for women who juggle raising children, working, attending classes, studying and running a household

When Cherdonna Epps became a teenage parent in high school, she had to let go of her dream of becoming a lawyer.

Yet while struggling through a series of jobs in retail, government, then insurance, her desire to go to college never left.

Fifteen years after her high school graduation she felt it was time to "pick up my dreams and live them."

Turning point

She enrolled in Norwalk Community College (NCC) and learned about the Family Economic Security Program (FESP), an initiative of our Fund for Women and Girls.

When she was accepted into FESP, Cherdonna felt she "had won the lottery."

How you helped

Through FESP, Cherdonna received much-needed financial assistance–and a lot more.

"I had an academic coach who made me feel more confident that I was going in the right direction," she said.

Another FESP coach encouraged her to look at her overall financial well-being for the first time. Cherdonna started a savings account for herself and her family.

She also received career guidance, help with child care and transportation, and inspiration by "meeting other women on the same journey as me."

Reclaiming her dreams

Cherdonna graduated from NCC in May 2014 with an Associate degree in business. She is attending Fordham University and majoring in business management, confident it will advance her chosen career in insurance.

Cherdonna was selected as a class speaker for her NCC commencement ceremony. She told fellow graduates that many people had "counted me out and expected my life to be over when I became a teenage mother. But that didn't define me."

Rather, she said, "We are defined by the fire in our hearts, the steps we are willing to take, and the ownership we claim over our lives."

THANK YOU! EVERY TIME YOU CONTRIBUTE TO OUR FUND FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS, YOU HELP GIRLS AND WOMEN THROUGHOUT FAIRFIELD COUNTY OVERCOME OBSTACLES AND REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL.

In Fairfield County

21,800
HOUSEHOLDS HEADED BY WOMEN WITH CHILDREN UNDER 18

$71,000
MINIMUM INCOME REQUIRED BY A SINGLE PARENT, ONE CHILD

$50,000
WOMEN'S MEDIAN WAGE

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

The Fund for Women and Girls developed and launched the Family Economic Security Program with Norwalk Community College and the Norwalk Community College Foundation to help women acquire the education and skills they need to move up to family-sustaining employment.

RESULTS OF THE 5-YEAR PILOT

106 PARTICIPANTS

188 CHILDREN AFFECTED

54 ASSOCIATE DEGREES

21 ENROLLED IN FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE

67% IMPROVED CREDIT SCORES

51% INCREASED INCOME-TO-EXPENSES RATIO

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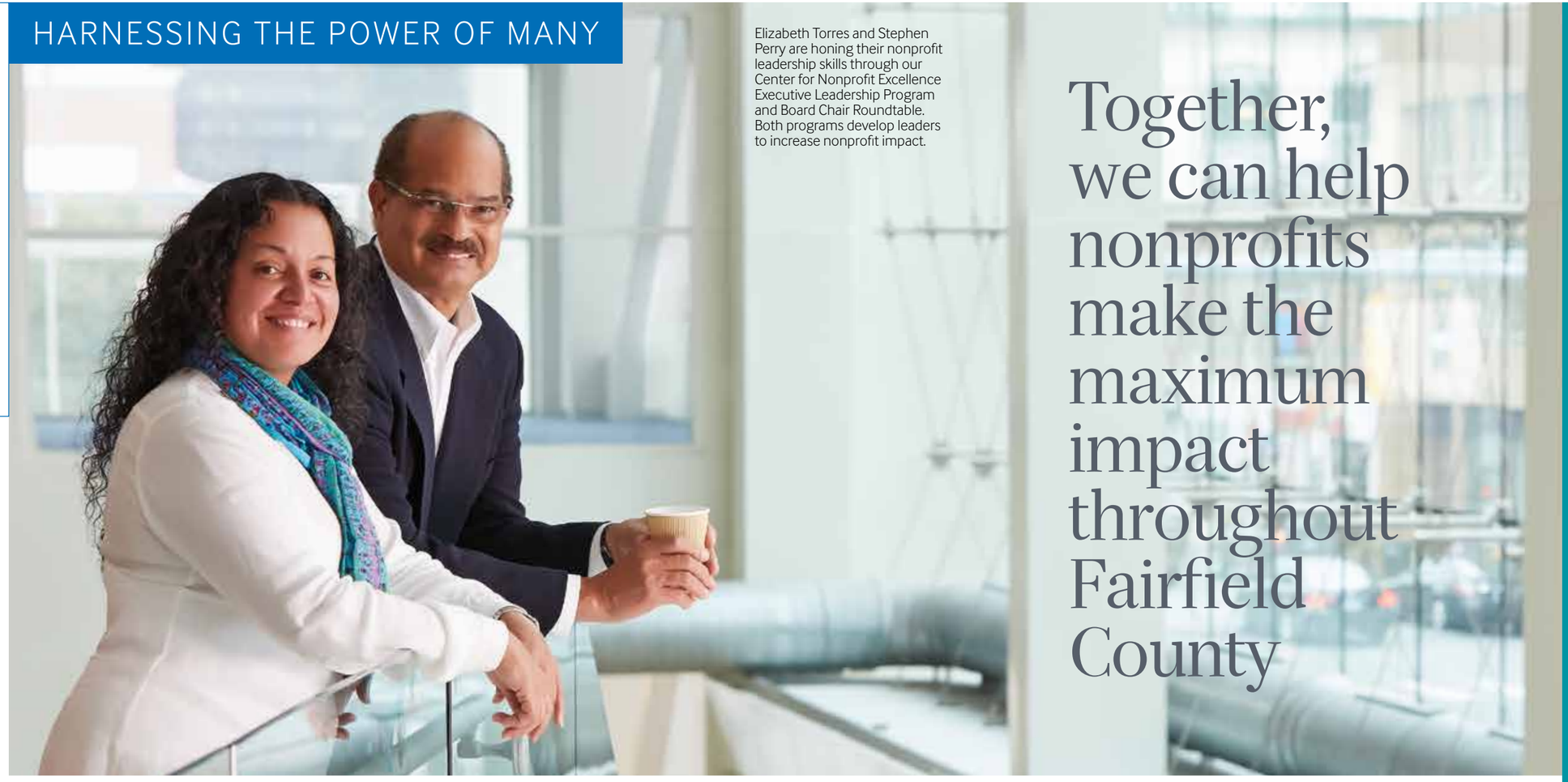

Elizabeth Torres and Stephen Perry are honing their nonprofit leadership skills through our Center for Nonprofit Excellence Executive Leadership Program and Board Chair Roundtable. Both programs develop leaders to increase nonprofit impact.

Together, we can help nonprofits make the maximum impact throughout Fairfield County

When a nonprofit has strong leadership, it attracts donors, retains top staff, stays focused on its mission, and creates maximum impact

Your support of our Center for Nonprofit Excellence helps executive directors and board chairs strengthen their leadership skills.

Elevating executive director proficiency

Elizabeth Torres, executive director of Bridgeport Neighborhood Trust (BNT) said she "needed coaching and support I can't get by sitting in my office.

"I wanted to learn how to work with my board more effectively and manage my staff more empathetically, mainly by being a better listener and improving my emotional intelligence."

She participates in our Executive Leadership Program. Participants meet monthly and receive personal coaching.

Strengthening skills for board chairs

Retired Xerox executive Stephen Perry, board chair of the Urban League of Southern Connecticut, wanted to learn more about managing in a nonprofit environment.

"People are focused on the organization's mission–they're not there to make money," he said. He realized that requires greater relationship management skills, and enrolled in our Board Chair Roundtable.

"As a board chair, you don't necessarily learn on the job," he added. "Learning from others is better."

Stronger leadership, greater impact

Stephen and Elizabeth said their learning experiences have already made a difference in their organizations. Stephen feels he's better at focusing his board on the Urban League's mission to improve the economic well-being of local families. "Often," he said, "that means doing what's most difficult."

Elizabeth said she found her "softer side" as a manager, values staff more and, when things go wrong, "ask myself what was the lesson, and move forward." As a result, her staff is more satisfied with their work. She and her board "are engaging with each other more, having more one-on-ones. We all appreciate the challenges of a growing company."

Center for Nonprofit Excellence Results

2 BOARD CHAIR ROUNDTABLE GROUPS

- 30 PARTICIPANTS MET QUARTERLY
- 88.9% IMPROVED PERFORMANCE AS BOARD CHAIR (SURVEYED RESPONDENTS)
- 50% IMPROVED BOARD PERFORMANCE (SURVEYED RESPONDENTS)

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

- 9 PARTICIPANTS MET MONTHLY
- 100,100 PEOPLE SERVED BY THEIR NONPROFITS
- $9.5 MILLION COMBINED OPERATING BUDGETS

THANK YOU, DAN LEVINSON

DAN BROUGHT US THE EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM MODEL AND IS A GENEROUS SUPPORTER

OTHER CNE RESULTS

- 340 LOCAL NONPROFITS SERVED
- 20 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS
- 96% PARTICIPANTS SAID "WHAT I LEARNED WILL HELP ME SERVE MY NONPROFIT BETTER"
- 587 INDIVIDUALS SERVED
- 85% SUBSCRIPTION DISCOUNT TO FOUNDATION CENTER ONLINE DIRECTORY OF 120,000+ FUNDERS, SAVING 73 NONPROFITS $80,300

THANK YOU! EVERY TIME YOU CONTRIBUTE TO OUR CENTER FOR NONPROFIT EXCELLENCE, YOU HELP FAIRFIELD COUNTY NONPROFITS BECOME MORE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE.

Together, we can help Fairfield County residents transform their lives and community

When public housing residents apply their collective voices, they transform mistrusting strangers into a communityof supportive neighbors–and find new confidence

Geraldyne Vega-Jimenez and the father of their two special-needs infants lived in their car from time to time after losing their apartment.

Her sole focus was finding a secure roof for her family. By moving to P.T. Barnum Apartments, subsidized public housing in Bridgeport, Geraldyne could stay home and care for their children.

Addressing violence and hazards

After moving in, Geraldyne encountered hazardous living conditions and violence. She was determined make a difference, and started attending PT Partners meetings.

PT Partners is a multi-partner initiative of the Community Foundation. It helps families at P.T. Barnum Apartments create and access a system of care that builds on individual and family strengths.

Geraldyne became interested in "everything they were talking about and doing for the community." Her first involvement was reducing the stench from a nearby water treatment plant. "I went out with petitions in Spanish [she is bilingual] and got 100 signatures," she said. "I loved being involved."

She didn't know she had taken her first step toward becoming a leader and New Elder in her community.

Building a Generation of New Elders

PT Partners also builds on an inner-city tradition of elders serving along with neighborhood partners in solving problems. As her involvement with PT Partners increased, Geraldine's confidence and leadership skills grew.

"I am now a New Elder," she said with pride. "I have become a role model for a lot of people. It makes me feel good."

Designing and building a playground

Her most recent achievement was involving the community in helping design a new playground. "This brought me so much joy and was the most fulfilling project I've been involved in."

"Through PT Partners I've found my voice," Geraldyne said. "Now, I believe life can be better for residents. We're seeing potential for change for the first time."

Geraldyne Vega-Jimenez found her voice after moving into public housing. She engaged the P.T. Barnum Apartment community, including the children, in helping design this new playground.

PT Partners Results

Our PT Partners program is a replicable model. It received the HUD Secretary's Award for Public-Philanthropic Partnerships, and a $250,000 Partners in Progress grant from Citi Foundation.

15+ COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Including P.T. Barnum residents, City of Bridgeport, Park City Communities, New Reach, Bridgeport Child Advocacy Coalition, Grace City LLC, Council of Churches of Greater Bridgeport, Child First, Southwest Community Health Center, Bridgeport Public Housing Residents Support Fund, and others

1,180 RESIDENTS

360 FAMILIES

<$15,000 AVERAGE INCOME FAMILY OF 4

96% OF HOUSEHOLDS FACING EVICTION KEPT THEIR HOUSING THROUGH PT PARTNERS SERVICES

THANK YOU! EVERY TIME YOU CONTRIBUTE TO OUR COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP FUND, YOU HELP PUBLIC HOUSING RESIDENTS FIND THEIR VOICE, BUILD NEW CONFIDENCE, AND TRANSFORM THEIR LIVES AND COMMUNITY.

Fiscal 2014 Highlights

July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014

Fairfield County's Community Foundation

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New Name and Look

Since our founding in 1992, you have helped us grow and evolve. We realized we had become Fairfield County's Community Foundation, and embarked on a rebranding.

Armed with a new apostrophe in our name, logo and refined mission, we're bringing together passionate people and trusted resources to create lasting change in Fairfield County. Thank you for joining "the power of many."

Vision

We envision a vital and inclusive community where every individual has the opportunity to thrive.

Mission

We promote philanthropy as a means to create change in Fairfield County, focusing on innovative and collaborative solutions to critical issues impacting the community.

Harnessing the Power of Many: Partnerships

Norwalk Community College and Norwalk Community College Foundation

Our Fund for Women and Girls Family Economic Security Program at Norwalk Community College helps low- and mid-wage women supporting dependents acquire the education and skills they need to move up to family-sustaining careers.

NEW: Housatonic Community College

Our new partner will launch an enhanced model of the Family Economic Security Program with the goal of helping 600 students achieve economic security.

PT Partners

More than 15 partners work together to empower 1,180 residents of P.T. Barnum Apartments public housing to lead positive, lasting change in their lives and community.

Social Venture Partners Connecticut

Members pool money and business expertise to invest in local nonprofits and increase their social impact. Social Venture Partners Connecticut is a fund at the Community Foundation.

Research and Reports

Hunger Lives Here

Healthy Minds, Healthy Communities

The Nonprofit Technology Paradox

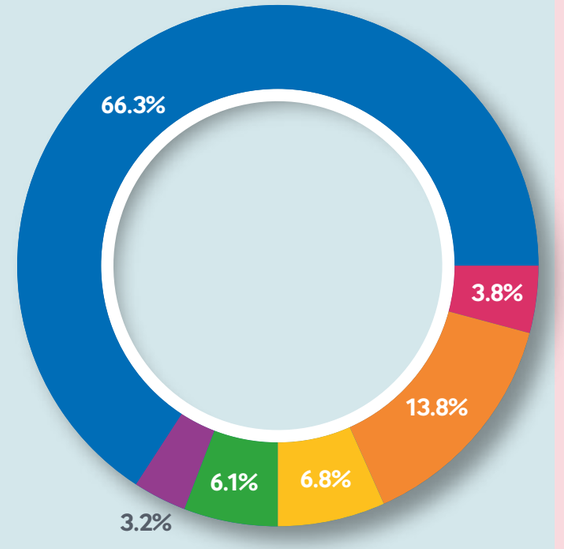
Download from FCCFoundation.org

$12 Million in Grants

by Fund Type

Donor Advised*	$ 7.9
Discretionary	$ 0.4
Field of Interest	$ 0.7
Scholarship	$ 0.8
Donor Designated	$ 1.7
Agency Endowments	$ 0.5
TOTAL	**$12.0**

**Includes brokered grants*



Events Connect People and Solutions

NEW: Giving Day

$750,000 raised in 24 hours

9,211 online donors

267 local nonprofits benefitted

NEW: Fund for Women and Girls' Leadership Summit

Leadership skills taught through activities, sessions

110 girls from middle schools and high schools

Fund for Women and Girls Annual Luncheon

830 supporters

$550,000 raised

Keynote speaker Dr. Maya Angelou

Immigration Forum

Dialogue and workshops about the challenges and opportunities immigration presents for the state and Fairfield County

186 legislators, nonprofit leaders, funders, community members

Keynote speaker Alan Murray, Pew Research Center

Fund for Women and Girls Symposium

Workshops and plenary sessions on what's effective for helping girls cope with bullying, body image, self-destructive behaviors, and more

250 practitioners

109 nonprofits, schools, government agencies, private sector

53 cities and towns in CT, NY, MA

What's Next

Thrive by 25:

Bring together groups of young people across Fairfield County's cities and towns to learn about obstacles to become independent by age 25.

Collect data and co-publish a report with Connecticut Voices for Children. Seek select partners for funding and solutions.

Family Economic Security Program:

The five-year pilot with Norwalk Community College has ended. Women currently enrolled through NCC will continue to receive services. In 2015, Housatonic Community College in Bridgeport will begin offering an enhanced model that includes job training and placement.

PT Partners:

Complete a strategic plan identifying goals to sustain a generation of New Elders. The New Elders provide counsel, mobilize neighbors and join partner agencies to build a safer, healthier and more economically stable community.

We bring you together

with passsionate people and trusted resources to create lasting change in Fairfield County

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Jane and Bob Ready
Wilson Point, Norwalk

"Fairfield County's Community Foundation introduces the fundholder to local nonprofit organizations and causes that match their charitable giving values, and helps them feel confident their gift will be used according to their intent. The Foundation not only safekeeps the donor's fund assets, it performs the necessary due diligence on all nonprofit organizations the fundholder has selected. Their work is invaluable to the donor."

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Where do your gifts go?

Last year, grants made by fundholders and the Community Foundation supported a cross-section of causes

Advocacy	1.0%
Animal-related	0.7%
Arts & Culture	7.4%
Disaster Relief	0.5%
Economic Opportunity	3.6%
Education	29.4%
Environment	5.7%
Health	9.2%
Human Services	25.5%
International Programs	0.1%
Nonprofit Capacity Building	0.7%
Recreation	0.7%
Religious	2.8%
Women & Girls	3.2%
Youth	8.8%
Other	0.5%

Thank you

Legacy Society

How to give back to your community forever

How Janice Park will make a DIFFERENCE FOREVER

Janice (Jan) Park was "a tornado" for good works for over 50 years.

Even though she passed away in 2013, she will continue to support her favorite causes forever, thanks to a gift in her will.

Jan was passionate about social justice, the health and welfare of children, and women's issues.

Several friends said she was inspired from childhood by her doctor father, who delivered many babies and came home with happy but also sad stories.

One close friend credited her mother, who, uncharacteristic for that generation, was outspoken about the many plights of women. Her mother encouraged Jan to be free in an era when women were expected to marry and work as a teacher or nurse.

Jan picked a graduate degree in social work from Smith. She and Dot Herrmann loved to give parties at their home for family and also for professionals where wine, talk of travel and gourmet food inspired ideas–ideas that Jan later put into action.

David Vita of Westport's Unitarian Church put it simply. "Helping a handful of people wasn't good enough for Jan Park. Her plans were much bigger. She was the ultimate organizer, believing that alone we can't do anything, but all together we can."

You can give back to your community and support your favorite causes forever with a gift in your will to the Community Foundation.

You tell us how you wish the money to be used, and we will honor your charitable wishes.

Even a modest bequest will grow, under our stewardship, into a significant amount within decades. Your generosity will generate larger and larger grants to the causes or communities you specify.

When you let us know you've made a bequest, you're welcomed into our Legacy Society. You're invited to events and gatherings, and informed about Community Foundation initiatives and activities.

Please talk with your financial and legal advisors, and us, to see how easy it can be to make a lasting impact.

We gratefully acknowledge the compassion, generosity and foresight of our Legacy Society members:

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New Funds

We help you make a maximum impact with your charitable giving

You can establish and name a fund at the Community Foundation, then support your favorite causes close to home and anywhere in the United States. In addition, you can join like-minded individuals and give to collective funds that match your local charitable passions.

If you want to give to where the need is greatest, you can support our regional initiatives and leadership work in the community. Some want their giving to continue long after they're gone, and leave a gift to their community or favorite cause in their will.

If you don't have a charitable passion, we can help you focus your philanthropy to support values important to you. If you do, we introduce you to corresponding nonprofit programs in Fairfield County.

Depending on your level of engagement, you're invited to guided visits of local nonprofits, donor briefings and events. We advise you about new giving opportunities that match your interests. In addition, you have access to our research, including program evaluations in your fields of interest.

When you establish a charitable fund with us, you are freed from drafting documents, accounting and reporting requirements. You can engage your children and name successor advisors. Your contributions are professionally managed and overseen by the Community Foundation's Investment Committee and Board of Directors. Anonymous giving is possible.

As one fundholder said, "This is smart philanthropy."

The Pet Animal Welfare Fund

The Pet Animal Welfare Society of Connecticut (PAWS) has been a Fairfield County institution for over 50 years.

PAWS' mission is to provide medical care and a clean and humane safe harbor for homeless dogs and cats while finding them forever homes.

Pets become homeless due to abuse and neglect, and they also lose their homes in tandem with their owners: due to poor health, advanced age, financial hardship, and death.

Every story is a heartbreaker, and PAWS and its dedicated volunteers have been resolute in mending the hearts of our community's two-legged and four-legged friends for generations. www.PAWSCT.org

Unbeknownst to him, Roger now needs PAWS to find his forever home.

Best friends Greg Young and Richard Wenning are the driving force behind the SpreadMusicNow Fund. The fund supports arts education, organizations that promote emerging artist development, music education and performance, and helping students access information about artist development pathways.

SpreadMusicNow Fund

When two men who grew up in Fairfield County–Greg Young in Norwalk and Richard Wenning in Monroe–became best friends at Ithaca College some 35 years ago, they sought out live music to check out emerging bands. They had no idea they were planting the seeds of what has become a nationwide effort to engage low-income students in education through music.

Greg and Richard are leaders of BeFoundation, based in Redding–Greg as chair and Richard as executive director. BeFoundation funds music instruction for underserved youth, helping to shape their futures, build lifelong success, and improve the vitality of their communities.

"The SpreadMusicNow Fund is not necessarily about creating future professional musicians," says Richard. "It's about creating great citizens through music education, building communities and creating momentum for youth to achieve in school."

Richard and Greg chose the Community Foundation as a key partner in their vision because of its philanthropic knowledge, pulse on community issues and network of partners.

TheBerkowitzLawFirm LLC

Berkowitz Law Firm Charitable Fund

The Berkowitz Law Firm LLC is a well-known medical malpractice and personal injury law firm, with offices in Stamford, Danbury and Bridgeport. Last year it established the Berkowitz Law Firm Charitable Fund at the Community Foundation. Its goal is to aid local nonprofits whose work focuses on assisting women and children at risk, and helping infants, teens and adults with developmental disabilities and mental illness.

"We feel a responsibility to help those in need throughout Fairfield County by supporting a variety of nonprofit organizations," said Russell J. Berkowitz, Esq., a principal of the firm. "It is an honor to be a part of these charitable endeavors and deeply satisfying to know our efforts are making a difference."

Already, the fund has supported a wide range of organizations, including Ability Beyond Disability, Domus Foundation, Child Guidance Center of Southern Connecticut, Kids in Crisis and Special Olympics of Connecticut.

"We're proud to be a part of Fairfield County's Community Foundation's family of donors," added Berkowitz. "With more than twenty years of experience in providing vital philanthropic leadership, the Community Foundation does an exemplary job directing our charitable dollars where they are needed most in the community."

The Fairfield County Neafsey Family Fund

When Jack and Rilla Neafsey established a fund at the Community Foundation, they were taking the latest step on their journey of giving back–one that for Jack started during his twenties.

Jack attended Cornell University on a full academic scholarship. He recognized that someone's generosity had helped him, and he wanted to begin "paying it back" as soon as he was able.

Knowing first-hand the importance of getting off to a strong start in school, the fund will support the educational development of children early on in their lives, from pre-K up to fourth grade–before, say the Neafseys, "social and other life challenges increase and get in the way of educational advancement and success."

They also want to focus on efforts that reflect the changing needs of students. "Today's world is much different from fifty years ago, and programs must reflect the evolved needs and requirements to help young people succeed," said Jack.

The Neafseys are particularly interested in efforts that are based on proven success and can benefit all children–regardless of their economic situation.

They feel they have found a strong partner in the Community Foundation to fulfill their goals. As Jack explained, "The Foundation has the community connections and breadth of knowledge that will help us direct funds to the most worthy programs."

The Jan Park & Dot Herrmann Fund

Please turn to page 16 for the full story.

Also established this year

Guinness Gives Back Fund

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PT Barnum Partnership Fund

The Herbert & Nell Singer Foundation Fund

Deanne H. and Herbert S. Winokur, Jr. Fund

Jack and Rilla Neafsey will help youngsters from preschool up to fourth grade get a strong start in school with The Fairfield County Neafsey Family Fund.

How Generous is Fairfield County?

Residents gave $2 BILLION to charity, or 3.09% of adjusted gross income

Source: How America Gives, The Chronicle of Philanthropy, 2012

Funds of the Foundation

More than 500 individuals, families and companies have established a charitable gift fund with us

Individuals choose the name for their fund and its purpose. Some prefer to pool their gifts with other like-minded people to make a larger impact on a shared cause.

Some want their giving to take place during their lifetime. Others want their giving to endure forever.

The following funds, listed by fund type, are held at and stewarded by the Community Foundation:

DONOR, FAMILY & CORPORATE ADVISED FUNDS

These funds make it easy to actively participate in your charitable giving. You recommend grants from the fund to any qualifying public charity in the U.S. You can give anonymously. You can access our knowledge and philanthropic expertise for guidance about community issues and local nonprofits. You can name advisors and successor advisors. We handle all of the paperwork and reporting.

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Bridgeport Public Housing Resident Support Fund
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Banyan Tree Fund of the Leo & Ida Davidoff Family
The Diageo Salute the Troops Fund
Eye Care for the Underprivileged Fund
Food Bank of Fairfield County, Inc. Fund
Milton H. and Isabelle V. Friedberg Fund
Sean Manuel Gage Memorial Fund
Good Schools Bridgeport Fund
Heidmar Fund
Higher Ground Fund
Austin Hood Fund
Lester Johnson Memorial Fund
Brenda H. Kaplan Music Fund
Kimball Cancer Cure Fund
Mathew Kosbob Memorial Fund
Ruth I. Krauss Fund Early Childhood Development
Ladysmith Fund for Women's Health
Millstone Farm Charitable Fund
John and Barbara O'Connor Education Fund
Olga Fund
Fund for Pete's Sake
Lil and Julie Rosenberg Foundation Inc. Fund
Stephen J. and Madelyn M. Santa Environmental Fund
Taunton Press Newtown Children and Families Fund
Jonathan M. Todd Accounting and Finance Higher Learning Fund
The Truglia Thumbelina Fund
Hilda Tooher-Corcoran Charitable Fund
Upton Family Child Care Fund
Westport Sunrise Rotary Young Voices Fund
Yankee Doodle Fund For Music

"Citi Community Development proudly supports the Community Foundation for our shared commitment to economic empowerment and financial inclusion for underserved individuals, families and communities. From affordable housing to financial security, the Community Foundation's work continues to improve the quality of life, enable vibrant communities, and pool local resources for greater impact in Fairfield County."

Lily Lopez
Community Development State Director, Citi

Thank you
for choosing
us as your
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FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

Your contribution to a Field of Interest fund is pooled with gifts from other like-minded contributors to collectively support your favorite Fairfield County cause or issue. You can give to any existing Field of Interest fund or establish a new fund. The Community Foundation makes grants in perpetuity to nonprofits that serve your field of interest.

ARTS & CULTURE

Fund for Arts and Culture
Marian Anderson Award Fund
Bridgeport Arts, Entertainment and Recreation Fund
Charles Ettl Fund
Sarah Wheeler Frassinelli Arts Fund

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

Bridgeport Energy Campership Fund
Bridgeport Energy South End Fund
Anna K. Dziuba and Eleanor K. Borcz Fund for Children
Fairfield County Fund for Children & Youth
Fairfield County Fund for Women and Girls
Fairfield County Woman-BF Goodrich Childcare Scholarship Fund
Mia S. Holthausen Fund
Edward McK. Holly Fund
Jean Gregory Richmond Fund
Ridgefield Community Foundation Fund for Youth
Ridgefield Youth Leadership Fund
Treasure Chest Fund

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, URBAN AFFAIRS

Alvord Award Fund
Community Response Fund
Arthur and Gladys Lunin Humanitarian Award Fund
Janice Park Social Justice Fund
Stamcag Fund
Herbert B. West Award Fund

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Fairfield County Community Leadership Fund
Fund for Great Leadership

EDUCATION

Fairfield County Fund for Academic Excellence
Fairfield County Fund for New Americans
Sandra Alpert Nathan Memorial Fund for Children with Learning Disabilities
Rabbi Harry Nelson Memorial Fund
Norwalk Fund for Excellence in Public Education

ENVIRONMENT

Fairfield County Fund for the Environment

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Fairfield County Fund for Health and Wellness
Fund for Health and Wellness with a focus on Mental Health
Interfaith Council Fund for Respite Care
Peter & Rose Levinsky Memorial Fund
Arthur and Gladys Lunin Fund
Mary's Fund
Stella Margaret McHenry Fund
Harold L. Schine Fund
Sight Handicapped Fund
Louis and Ruth Sternbach Fund For People with Disabilities
Barbara J. Stockman Memorial Fund
Timothy Fund
Ginny Yurch Memorial Fund

STRENGTHENING NONPROFITS

Fairfield County Center for Nonprofit Excellence Fund
Financial Management Assistance Fund
Social Venture Partners Fund

DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

These funds allow you to ensure your charitable giving is addressing the most pressing needs in Fairfield County, even as those needs change over time. The Community Foundation depends on Discretionary funds to create change in Fairfield County by focusing on innovative and collaborative solutions to critical issues impacting the community.

COUNTYWIDE GRANTMAKING

Elizabeth Wingfield Barnett Fund
Carr-Earle Fund
Craver Family Fund
Fairfield County Community Foundation Board Designated Grant Fund
Fairfield County Endowment Fund
Fairfield County Fund
Jan Park & Dot Herrmann Fund*
Impact Fund
Memory Fund
Sheila and Charles Perrin Fund
Nancy J. Pilgard Fund
Edmund C. Spencer Fund

COMMUNITY-SPECIFIC

BETHEL
Greater Danbury Endowment Fund

BRIDGEPORT
Bridgeport Rotary Club Memorial
Greater Bridgeport Community Impact Fund
- Carl B. & Marian C. Adolphson Memorial Fund
- Earle G. & Betty M. Anderson Fund
- John M. Berkowitz Fund
- David H. & Theresa L. Bresky Fund
- William & Margaret Buckens Fund
- Philip H. & Cecelia K. Burdett Fund
- R. Ward Chapman Fund
- Arthur Clifford Fund
- Albert L. Coles Memorial Fund
- Leete P. and Marjorie S. Doty Fund
- Robert B. Factor Fund
- Nancy Flint Fund
- Jeanne C. Gerber Memorial Fund
- Murray R. Glass Fund
- Grabau Family Fund
- John E. and Clare M. Hampford Fund
- Edward E. Harrison Endowment Fund
- Edward and Myrna Harrison Fund
- J. Walker Hill Fund
- Zalmon S. & Ethel P. Hirsch Memorial Fund
- Michael and Ida Hoffman Family Fund
- Emil & Mali Kriegler Memorial Fund
- A. George Lindquist Fund
- M.& F. Foundation Advise Fund
- Maddever-Harrison Fund
- Ann Adams Mandeville Fund
- Masonic Family Fund
- N.M.K.M. Fund #2
- Herbert and Margaret Renert Fund
- P.T. Barnum Partnership Fund*
- Willard H. Sahloff Fund
- Norman Schaff, Jr. Memorial Fund
- Schwerdtle Family Fund
- Frederick B. Silliman Memorial Fund
- William S. Simpson Fund
- Ralph & Marian Washburn Sprague Fund
- Anne W. Stokes Fund
- Bernard H. Trager Memorial Fund
- Bradford Newman Warner Fund

Miriam and Elizabeth Kriegler Memorial Fund
Gota M. Norell Fund
Raymond J. and Veronica O'Connor Fund
Julia C. Palmer Fund
Remington Products Inc. Fund
Zarrilli Family Fund

BROOKFIELD
Greater Danbury Endowment Fund

DANBURY
Greater Danbury Endowment Fund

DARIEN
Five Town Endowment Fund

EASTON
Greater Bridgeport Community Impact Fund
Miriam and Elizabeth Kriegler Memorial Fund
Gota M. Norell Fund
Julia C. Palmer Fund
Remington Products Inc. Fund

FAIRFIELD
Greater Bridgeport Community Impact Fund
Miriam and Elizabeth Kriegler Memorial Fund
Gota M. Norell Fund
Julia C. Palmer Fund
Remington Products Inc. Fund

GREENWICH
Greenwich Endowment Fund

MONROE
Greater Bridgeport Community Impact Fund
Miriam and Elizabeth Kriegler Memorial Fund
Gota M. Norell Fund
Julia C. Palmer Fund
Remington Products Inc. Fund

NEW FAIRFIELD
Greater Danbury Endowment Fund
New Fairfield Community Fund

NEWTOWN
Greater Danbury Endowment Fund

NORWALK
Five Town Endowment Fund
Elizabeth Bissell Northcross Fund
Ramer Fund

REDDING
Greater Danbury Endowment Fund

RIDGEFIELD
Greater Danbury Endowment Fund
(See the Ridgefield Community Foundation
Fund under Donor Advised Funds)

SHELTON
Greater Bridgeport Community Impact Fund
Miriam and Elizabeth Kriegler Memorial Fund
Gota M. Norell Fund
Julia C. Palmer Fund
Remington Products Inc. Fund

SHERMAN
Greater Danbury Endowment Fund

STAMFORD
Mac Cart Fund
Stamford Endowment Fund

STRATFORD
Miriam and Elizabeth Kriegler Memorial Fund
Gota M. Norell Fund
Greater Bridgeport Community Impact Fund
Raymond J. and Veronica O'Connor Fund
Julia C. Palmer Fund
Remington Products Inc. Fund

TRUMBULL
Greater Bridgeport Community Impact Fund
Trumbull Community Trust Fund

WESTON
Five Town Endowment Fund

WESTPORT
Five Town Endowment Fund
Elizabeth Bissell Northcross Fund

WILTON
Five Town Endowment Fund

**Established in FY14*

DESIGNATED FUNDS

A Designated fund is ideal when you want to support a specific nonprofit organization in perpetuity. You may name one or more organizations to receive annual grants from your fund. If any of your designated organizations dissolves or changes its purpose, the Community Foundation ensures your original charitable objectives are continued.

3030 Park Grants-in-Aid Fund
R & E Aiello Fund
Ann's Fund
Aaron S. Avery Fund
Baldwin Fund
Edward F. Bodine Fund
Bridgeport Learn Not To Burn
Bridgeport Public Education Endowment Fund
Bridgeport Rotary Club Endowment Fund
William and Philip Carlson Fund
Fund for the Center for Global Studies
Sally Dickson Fund
Richard O. Dietrich Fund
ETRA Health Fund
Gellatly Family Fund
A Gift for Bridgeport Children
Girl Scout Campership Endowment
Sam M. and Pauline Golden Fund
Christian I. & Hilma A. Gravesen Memorial Fund
Greenwich Board of Education Fund
Anastasia P. and Peter S. Hardy Fund
Percy C.K. & Edna Morgan Harrison Fund
Hawley Memorial Trumbull Library Fund
Charles M. Herbert Barnum Festival
Seymour I. Hollander Fund
Invest in Fairfield County Fund**
Sanford D. Katz Fund
Robert G. & Jean D. Lee Fund
Byron S. Lindley Memorial Fund
Lord Fund
Arthur and Gladys Lunin Funds to benefit:
- Ahlbin Center

Three years ago, you met Jessica Barragan, the 23rd student to receive a four-year Magnus Wahlstrom Leadership Award scholarship. She was the Class of 2011 valedictorian at Stratford High School. Her mother raised her two children on her own, often working four jobs to support her family.

Jessica is now a senior in the College of Arts and Sciences at Cornell University. She is a double major in Government and Sociology with minors in Law and Society and Inequality Studies. Here is her update:

The annual Magnus Wahlstrom Leadership Award provides students from Greater Bridgeport with four years of generous college assistance for tuition, room and board, textbooks and supplies.

The scholarship fund was established in 1990 to honor Magnus Wahlstrom. Mr. Wahlstrom left his native Sweden in 1923, settled in Bridgeport, and achieved success by inventing a high-speed drilling machine and co-founding Bridgeport Machines, Inc.

"Hello! Attending Cornell University has always been my dream. During my three years here, I've joined organizations for personal and professional development, and worked with some of the most talented and brilliant students in the country. They have encouraged me to push my limits, work hard, and persevere.

On campus, I currently serve as the Co-President of La Asociación Latina, and Captain of the Spanish Debate Team under the Cornell Forensics Society. I am also the President of the Ivy Council, an organization of student leaders from all Ivy League universities.

I am committed to service, and have served as an English as a Second Language tutor and traveled to Panama to volunteer with the Cornell Global Law and Human Rights Brigade.

I am now studying for the LSAT, completing my preliminary research for my honors thesis on Hispanic disadvantages within criminal jury trials, and applying to law school.

My education at Cornell would not have been possible if it were not for the generous help of Fairfield County's Community Foundation. The Magnus Wahlstrom Scholarship has given me financial security, and given my family peace of mind. I am incredibly grateful, and hope to one day do the same for another student. Thank you."

American Cancer Society
American Health Assistance Foundation
American Joint Jewish Distribution Committee
American ORT
Anti Defamation League of B'Nai Brith
Arthritis Association
Heritage Institution of Ellis Island
HIAS
Jerusalem Foundation
Jewish Community Center
Jewish Federation of Greater Bridgeport
Juvenile Diabetes Foundation
Kennedy Center, Inc.
Kids in Crisis

Arthur and Gladys Lunin Youth Funds to benefit:
Congregation B'Nai Israel
Jewish Community Center

Stephen Lyman/Greenwich Workshop Wilderness Fund
Marjorie and Mabel Fund
Philip R. Marsilius Fund
Rocio Garces Martinez Fund
Robert and Sophia Mitchell Memorial Fund
William H. Moffitt, IV Cultural Arts Fund
Edward J. Morgan Fund
June & Rachel Muhs Fund
Leo Nevas Memorial Fund established by the Newman's Own Foundation
Norwalk Senior Center Community Lunch Fund
Norman King & Laura Eales Parsells Fund
Pet Animal Welfare Fund*
Phillips/Lansdale Fund
Elizabeth M. Pfriem Fund
Dr. Charles E. Reed Fund
Amy Louise Rich Memorial Fund
Kay and Ed See Fund
Jeff Shoup Memorial Fund
Theodore B. Smart Fund
Stratford Jaycees Community Fund
Weston Lacrosse Club-Paul Scheufele Endowment Fund
Thomas Berry Willson Memorial Fund
W.I.N-W.I.N Fund

Established in FY14

***Includes contributions from funds established by Elizabeth Farman, Russell Frost III, Ralph Sheffer, and Ruth and Albert Sims, and gifts from the Perrin Foundation, Edgar See and Constance Scanley.*

ORGANIZATION ENDOWMENT FUNDS

A nonprofit can establish an Organization Endowment fund to create a stable financial future. When an organization establishes a fund it becomes part of the Community Foundation's investment pool, and benefits from robust investment diversification and economies of scale. The fund is stewarded for the long-term needs of the organization with oversight by the Community Foundation's Investment Committee and Board of Directors. The organization's donors are assured that assets are held separately from its operating fund. We handle all administrative responsibilities, including regulatory reporting, ensuring compliance and freeing the organization to pursue its charitable mission.

Anonymous
Barnum Festival Fund
The Beth El Cemetery Association Endowment Fund
Bridgeport Rotary Community Service Endowment Fund
Greater Bridgeport Symphony Endowment Fund
The Jane Norgren CLC Fund for Children
Dr. Robert B. Cooper Fund
Council of Churches Community Endowment Fund
Domestic Violence Crisis Center Endowment Fund
The Domus Fund
Pat Hart Scholarship Endowment Fund/Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County Endowment Fund
Wilda Morgan Hayes Fund
Mercy Learning Center Fund
Norwalk Symphony Endowment Fund
The Pet Animal Welfare Fund*
Person to Person Reserve Fund
Person to Person Endowment Fund
Ridgefield Community Center Endowment Fund
Ridgefield Community Foundation Endowment Fund
School Volunteer Association of Bridgeport- Alan E. Gustafson Memorial
United Way Endowment Fund
United Way of Coastal Fairfield County Endowment Ettlinger Fund
VNA Corporations, Inc.-VNS of CT Hospice Free Support Fund
Y.M.C.A. Endowment Funds
Camp Hi Rock Endowment Fund
George T. Hewlett Fund
William S. Valentine Fund
Y.M.C.A. of Greater Bridgeport Fund

Established in FY14

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

These funds support the educational advancement of students based on criteria of your choice. Scholarships often memorialize a loved one or honor a special person.

Maurice W. Anderson Memorial Scholarship Fund
Charlotte Aquino Nursing Scholarship Fund
Aspblom-Graham Nursing Scholarship Fund
Ernest J. Badillo Scholarship Fund
Elizabeth Bigelow Ballard Fund
Barquin-Bullard-Thompson ABCD Scholarship Fund
Nancy E. Barrelle Memorial Scholarship Fund
Arthur C. Bass Memorial Fund/Les Treize IV
Nancy J. Bassett Oncology Scholarship Fund
John P. Bassett Scholarship Fund
Florence Batchelder Scholarship Fund of Class of CHS '31
Edward R. Bernstein Memorial Scholarship Fund
Bethany Congregational Church Scholarship
Richard P. Bodine, Sr. Scholarship
Walter Breslav, Jr. Scholarship Fund
Brooklawn Country Club Caddie Scholarship Fund
Robert W. Brown Scholarship Fund
Cecelia K. Burdett/V.N.S. of CT, Inc. Scholarship Fund
Wilson R. Burns Scholarship Fund
May Camp & Webster Upson Walker Scholarship Fund
Thomas E. Carroll Fund
Chiota Family Scholarship Fund
Christopher Chute Memorial Sportsman's Award Fund
Raymond E. Clafin Memorial Scholarship Fund
Megan Cobbledick & Jason Kern Fund
The Paul Corwel Fund
Edward J. Crotty Scholarship Fund
Leona Bedient Crouchley and Charles D. Crouchley, Jr. Scholarship Fund
Mario D'Addario Scholarship Fund
Charles A. and Eleanor Naylor Dana Scholarship Fund
DeBlasio/Christopher Scholarship Fund
The Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation Scholarship Fund
Richard DiSalvo Scholarship Fund

Pastor Shearon Dudley Memorial Scholarship Fund
Ulysses J. Dunne & Ulysses J. Dunne, Jr. Scholarship Fund
Edward A. Dworken Memorial Foundation, Inc.
Dworken Family Fund
Dr. Frank G. and Edith B. Elliott Scholarship Fund
Nicholas & Anne Nagy Fabian Scholarship Fund
Fairfield High School Scholarship Foundation
Joseph R. Farkas Sr., Engineering Scholarship Fund
Peter Fedorko Scholarship Fund
Victor M. Ferrante, Sr. Memorial Fund
F.H.S. Class of '41 Fund
The Marion and Joseph Fullin Scholarship Fund
St. Gabriel School Scholarship/ Financial Aid Fund
Thomas J. Gardella Memorial Scholarship Fund
Phyllis S. Garrison Scholarship Fund
GBAF Scholarship Fund
June Goodman Scholarship Fund
Greater Bridgeport Bar Association Scholarship Fund
Peter Hanson Memorial Award for Humanity
Peter Hanson Social Justice Scholarship Fund
William L. Hawkins Scholarship Fund
Edward C. Hawley Scholarship Fund
Health Related Studies Scholarship
Housing Authority of the City of Bridgeport Scholarship Fund I
Housing Authority of the City of Bridgeport Scholarship Fund II
Olga and Dimitri Jankowich Fund
Eugene and Betty Jones Engineering Scholarship for Minorities
Kindergarten to College Collaboration Scholarship Fund
Edward R. Kasparek Memorial Fund
Agnes W. and Ernest W. Kaulbach Fund
Julia Keefe Scholarship Fund
Jeff Keith Scholarship Fund
The Andrew E. Lange Memorial Science Scholarship Fund
Mickey Lione Jr. Scholarship Fund
Mickey Lione Jr. Scholarship at Trinity Catholic High School Fund
Irving Loeb Kornblut Award
Dorothy Weitzner Kornblut Scholarship Fund
L'Ambiance Scholarship Fund
LA DANZA Scholarship Fund
Leonhardt Scholars Program Fund
Les Treize Scholarship Fund I
Les Treize Scholarship Fund II
Les Treize Scholarship Fund III
Bruce G. Lockhart Scholarship Fund
Arthur Lunin Learn A Trade Fund
Maccalla Family Trust Les Treize Fund
Bertram and Sally MacMannis Scholarship Fund
Margret McDonald and Lucy Blood Memorial Scholarship Fund
Ralph McIntosh, Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund
Frank J. McKee Scholarship Fund
Meadow Ridge Scholarship Fund
Amanda Martin Meloy Career Choices Scholarship Fund
Charles J. Merritt, Jr. & Virginia B. Merritt Fund
Peg and Paul Mortell Scholarship Fund
Theodor Muller Scholarship Fund
Jack and Roselyn Goloff Nowitz Musical Scholarship Fund
Frederick W. Nowlan Fund
Helen F. Nowlan Trust Fund
Eliza Oliver Memorial Scholarship Fund
Oristano Foundation Fund
Aurora Owens Scholarship Fund for The Creative Arts
Patterson Scholarship Fund
P.C.H. Medical Staff Scholarship Fund
E. Cortright & Nancy Phillips Scholarship Fund
Julia Peyton Phillips Scholarship Fund
Edward Pickerstein Memorial Scholarship Fund
Caesar Pina Fund
Helen Redding Scholarship Fund
Marcy Sallick Scholarship Fund
Kay and Louis Samotus Scholarship
Marion Sanford Scholarship Fund
Senator ALJ Scanzillo Scholarship Fund
Richard K. Schmidt Aquarion Science Scholarship Fund
Schofield-Blauvelt Scholarship Fund
Sumner Simpson Scholarship Fund
William E. Smith Scholarship Fund
Sonneborn Scholarship Fund
Spanish Merchants Association Scholarship Fund
Ralph B.and Charlotte G. Sperry Fund
Stamford High School Class of 1951 Scholarship Fund
William E. Stratford Memorial Fund, Boys' Club & Girls' Club of Bridgeport, Inc.
Margaret F. Taylor Scholarship Fund
Karen Telickey Scholarship Fund
J. Richard Tiano Memorial Scholarship Fund
James E. Tisdale Memorial Scholarship Fund
Jettie Tisdale Scholarship Fund
John T. and Violet Totilas Memorial Scholarship Fund
Ernest and Joan Trefz Scholarship Fund
Helen Varaljai Memorial Scholarship Fund
Leroy Vaughn Scholarship Fund
Lt. Robert W. Vogel, USN Memorial Scholarship Fund
Magnus Wahlstrom Leadership Award Fund
WHHS Class of 1948 Award Fund
William Wolper School and/or Community Service Award Fund

GREENWICH SCHOLARSHIP ASSOCIATION

For scholarships available to Greenwich students, the Community Foundation works with the Greenwich Scholarship Association (GSA). Volunteers gather, review and process applications, then award scholarships to graduating students in Greenwich. The GSA selects recipients for scholarships from these funds:

Jane C. Bausman Memorial Fund
Justin Scott Brown Memorial Fund
Susannah Chase Memorial Fund
Tod Clonan Scholarship Fund
Michael Jon Greenberg Memorial Fund

7 Tips for Scholarship Applicants

Every year, we review **600** or more scholarship applications and award up to **$800,000** in scholarships. Here are our **seven tips** for preparing successful scholarship applications:

1. In 9th grade, begin a track record of community service. Record the number of hours worked.
2. Also by 9th grade, grades matter as well as class difficulty. You won't qualify to apply for scholarships we manage with less than a 2.7 GPA. A 2.7 GPA in difficult classes can trump a 3.5 in easy classes.
3. In sophomore year, and in addition to community service, participate in extra-curricular activities and/or work part-time. Focus and go deep on two or three activities rather than dabble in many.
4. By junior year, identify adults who could write strong, insightful letters of recommendation, and help them become better acquainted with you.
5. Also in junior year, have an inkling of what you want to study in college, what college you want to attend, and career direction. Your extracurricular activities or part-time work should be aligned with career interests.
6. In senior year, identify college choices and career goals. Research available scholarships on our website and study the application. When you write your personal essay, take care with composition, grammar and spelling.
7. When you receive a scholarship, celebrate! And write a Thank You letter to the scholarship donor. Check in with how you're doing from time to time.

"The Community Foundation has changed the game with Fairfield County Giving Day, raising nearly $750,000 for more than 250 local nonprofits in just 24 hours and, more importantly, cultivating a new generation of donors. Working with them to make this a reality couldn't have been more rewarding, and we look forward to partnering again in 2015 and exceeding the high bar that's been set."

Bill Tommins
Bank of America Southern Connecticut Market President

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Community Foundation appreciates these hardworking volunteers who invest hundreds of hours in reviewing scholarship applications.

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Many compassionate people include a gift to our discretionary funds as a part of their total charitable giving.

Some leave a gift in their will or estate plan. You can contribute cash, securities, a retirement account, life insurance or other assets. Please see page 22 for a complete list of discretionary funds.

The following grants from discretionary funds were awarded in fiscal 2014, thanks to visionary people like you.

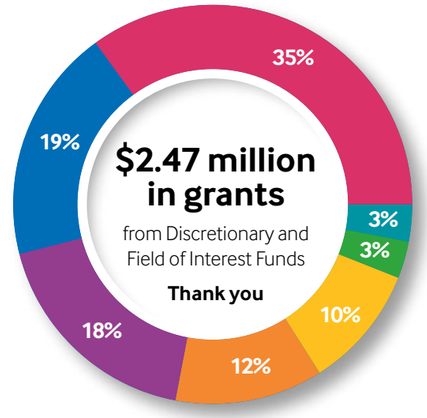
Grant lists include areas served

Education and Youth Development
$870,749

All Stars Project, Inc., Bridgeport
Audubon Connecticut, Bridgeport
Boys & Girls Club of Stamford, Stamford
Bridgeport Caribe Youth Leaders, Bridgeport
Bruce Museum, Greenwich
Bridgeport YMCA, Bridgeport
Central High School, Cultural Enrichment Club, Bridgeport
Community Centers, Inc., Greenwich
Connecticut Audubon Society, Regional
Connecticut Association for the Gifted, Regional
Connecticut Beardsley Zoo, Bridgeport
Connecticut Consortium of Education Foundations, Weston
Creative Youth Productions, Bridgeport
Connecticut Science Center, Stamford
Danbury Youth Services, Danbury
Domus, Stamford
Fairfield Follies Foundation, Fairfield
Family & Children's Agency, Norwalk
Future 5, Stamford
George Washington Carver Foundation, Norwalk
Goodwin College, Regional
Horizons Student Enrichment Program at New Canaan Country Day
Horizons Student Enrichment Program at Greens Farm Academy
Horizons Student Enrichment Program at Sacred Heart University

Discretionary Grants

When you give to a discretionary fund, your gift goes to where it is most needed within Fairfield County



Education and Youth Development	$ 870,749
Economic Opportunity	$ 473,400
Fund for Women and Girls	$ 438,130
Health and Human Services	$ 298,450
Arts and Culture	$ 235,500
Environment	$ 80,195
Strengthening Nonprofits	$ 75,780

How Discretionary Grants are Awarded

Grants are awarded through a competitive process. Nonprofits working in our priority areas are invited to submit a letter of inquiry.

Letters are reviewed, and we follow up to learn more about the proposed project.

When the project fits our grantmaking priorities, we ask for a full proposal. Grant application guidelines are posted on FCCFoundation.org.

We gratefully acknowledge the generous grant from the Frederick H. Leonhardt Fund in the New York Community Trust, which significantly enhances our discretionary grantmaking. We are indebted to the generous support of Anne S. Leonhardt.

The Audubon WildLife Guards program provides green job training, mentoring and employment opportunities for Bridgeport high school students. Audubon Connecticut partners with the Student Conservation Association and the City of Bridgeport. The program teaches local high school students about wildlife, habitats and conservation issues through hands-on service, education and interaction with conservation professionals. These students are collecting samples from a fresh water pond.

Jobs for the Future, Bridgeport
Junior Achievement of Western Connecticut and Southwestern Connecticut, Bridgeport and Norwalk
McGivney Community Center, Bridgeport
Mount Aery Development Corporation, Bridgeport
Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County, Bridgeport
Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship, Regional
Norwalk Education Foundation, Norwalk
Norwalk Housing Foundation, Norwalk
Regional YMCA of Western CT, Danbury
RYASAP, Bridgeport
South End Community Center, Stratford
Stamford Achieves, Stamford
Stamford Public Education Foundation, Stamford
Stamford YMCA, Stamford
Stamford Youth Services Bureau, Stamford
Stepping Stones Museum for Children, Regional
University of Connecticut, Stamford
Urban League of Southern Connecticut, Stamford
Wakeman Boys & Girls Club, Bridgeport and Fairfield
Westport Maker Faire, Westport
Youth Transition Funders Group

Economic Opportunity
$473,400

American Red Cross, Connecticut, Regional
Bridgeport Neighborhood Trust, Bridgeport
Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness, Regional
Connecticut Sponsoring Committee, Inc., CONECT, Regional
Funders Together To End Homelessness
Greater Bridgeport Community Enterprises, Bridgeport
Greater New England Minority Suppliers Development Council, Bridgeport
Homes with Hope, Westport
International Institute of Connecticut, Bridgeport
Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), Regional
Neighbors Link, Stamford
Norwalk Senior Center, Norwalk
North Walke Housing Corporation, Norwalk
Partnership for Strong Communities, Regional
Renewal House, Danbury

Fund for Women and Girls
$433,130

All Our Kin, Bridgeport, Stamford, Norwalk
Center for Women & Families, Greater Bridgeport Area
Domestic Violence Crisis Center, Regional
Domus, Stamford
Family & Children's Agency, Norwalk
FSW, Inc., Bridgeport
Girl Scouts of Connecticut, Regional
Norwalk Community College Foundation, Regional
RYASAP, Greater Bridgeport Area
TBICO, Regional
The Center for Sexual Assault, Stamford and Norwalk
Wakeman Boys & Girls Club, Bridgeport
Women's Center of Greater Danbury, Greater Danbury Area
Women's Business Development Council, Regional
YWCA Greenwich, Greenwich

Health & Human Services
$298,450

Arts for Healing, New Canaan
Child Guidance Center of Mid-Fairfield County, Greater Norwalk
Child Guidance Center of Southern Connecticut, Stamford
Corporation for Supportive Housing, Statewide
Family & Children's Agency, Regional
Human Services Council, Norwalk
Kids in Crisis, Stamford
Norwalk Hospital Foundation, Norwalk
Person to Person, Darien/Stamford
Southwest Regional Mental Health Board, Regional
Tiny Miracles Foundation, Fairfield County
Town of Newtown, Newtown
Visiting Nurse Services of Connecticut, Greater Bridgeport
YWCA of Greenwich, Greenwich

Arts & Culture
$235,500

Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum, Ridgefield
Backcountry Jazz, Bridgeport
Barnum Museum, Bridgeport
Downtown Special Services District, Bridgeport

For girls, being healthy is more than just eating right and exercising. It is also feeling good about oneself, and being supported by friends and family. Through the Girls Scouts of Connecticut program Live Healthy, Lead Healthy, girls ages 6 to 12 from Bridgeport, Danbury and Stamford learn that the choices they make today will impact their future health and well-being.

The Youth@Bruce Mentoring Program offers teenagers from Greenwich and other cities programs incorporating natural history, science, art and design. Students are mentored in a personalized, hands-on learning environment that helps prepare them for college and career. They assume visible roles in the inner-workings of the museum, including research, exhibition planning, fundraising and curating. These students are servicing the Touch Tank.

City Lights Gallery, Bridgeport
Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, Stamford
Cultural Alliance of Fairfield County, Regional
Cultural Alliance of Western Connecticut, Greater Danbury
Fairfield Theatre Company, Fairfield
Connecticut Free Shakespeare, Bridgeport
Greenwich Arts Council, Greenwich
Greenwich Historical Society, Greenwich
Intake Organization, Stamford
The Klein, Bridgeport
Ridgefield Symphony Orchestra, Ridgefield
Shakespeare on the Sound, Norwalk
Stamford Center for the Arts, Stamford
Silvermine Arts Center, New Canaan
Westport Country Playhouse, Westport
WSHU Public Radio Group, Fairfield County

Strengthening Nonprofits
$80,195

Connecticut Association of Nonprofits, Regional
Connecticut Council for Philanthropy, Connecticut
Leadership Development Roundtable, Regional
Pro Bono Partnership, Regional

Environment
$75,790

Downtown Special Services District, Stamford
EarthPlace, Westport
Housatonic Valley Association, Northern Fairfield County
Land Trust of Danbury, Northern Fairfield County
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, Regional
Urban Roots, Bridgeport

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JULY 1, 2013 - JUNE 30, 2014

GRANTS AWARDED with scholarships	$12 million
BROKERED GRANTS	$807,700
CONTRIBUTIONS	$14.7 million
RETURN ON INVESTMENTS	15.8%
RETURN ON INVESTMENTS net of expenses	$22.8 million
VALUE OF VOLUNTEER TIME	$214,109
NET ASSETS	$179.7 million

NET ASSETS BY FUND TYPE

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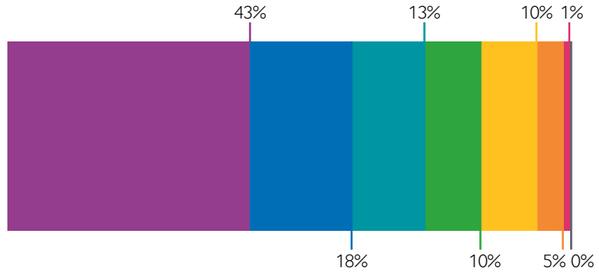

Donor Advised	$77.7	Scholarship	$17.8
Field of Interest	$31.8	Agency Endowment	$9.4
Discretionary	$23.2	Administration	$1.7
Donor Designated	$18.0	Charitable Remainder Trust	$0.1

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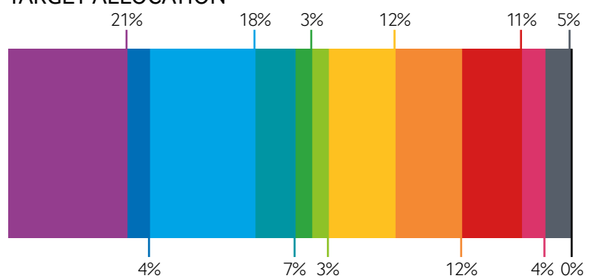

Large/Mid Cap Equity	Multi Strategy Hedge Funds
Small Cap Equity	Long/Short Equity Hedge Funds
Non-U.S. Developed Equity	Funds of Hedge Funds
Non-U.S. Emerging Equity	Private Equity
Aggregate U.S. Bonds	Direct Real Estate
Non-U.S. Bonds	Cash and Equivalents

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Each fund established at the Community Foundation reflects a trust in our ability to invest resources wisely

Thank you

Investment Philosophy

The Community Foundation seeks to safeguard assets entrusted to us, and, at the same time, generate total return for awarding grants. These criteria dictate our investment philosophy:

- We place primary emphasis on preserving asset purchasing power through investment growth and total return
- We expect moderate growth of principal and total return , consistent with maintaining safety of principal, and
- The Investment Committee focuses on asset allocation among equity, debt and other investment opportunities. It seeks a return in line with the Community Foundation's spending policy as it relates to long-term grantmaking goals.

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Peter, when did you first get involved with the Community Foundation and why?

Peter T. Mott

When I first started practicing law, I wanted to get involved with organizations that were doing good work in the community where I grew up and was beginning my career. I was fortunate to have mentors who introduced me to the Greater Bridgeport Area Foundation, where I began serving on committees and eventually the board. Later, I served on the FCCF board when the two Foundations merged.

Ron, you have personally served on several Community Foundation boards and committees. What has this involvement meant to you?

My involvement has been a great learning experience. The professionals at the Community Foundation have a deep understanding of the issues facing Fairfield County and they are working hard to address those needs. Over the years, I have witnessed how much more can be achieved when an organization like FCCF brings expertise and financial resources together to encourage and facilitate collaboration and focus among charitable individuals and organizations seeking to make a difference in the community.

Peter, what value do you think the Community Foundation brings to the community?

I think the real value FCCF adds is the staff's ability to leverage their extensive knowledge by matching the interests of donors with organizations that are focused in those areas of interest, and helping individuals stretch their generosity through collective giving with like-minded philanthropists.

Ron, what makes FCCF a smart philanthropic vehicle for your clients?

Ronald B. Noren

The problems facing our community are numerous and complex. The Community Foundation does not just respond to grant requests for funding but proactively identifies areas of need and the most effective approaches to address them. For clients who are committed to making our community a better place to live for all its residents, FCCF is the perfect way of making sure their philanthropic dollars have the greatest impact.

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